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Our former editor, Sanzar Quasaroad, has disappeared! When last seen, a thick growth of shagey hair was sprousing on his craggy face, his body was stooped, and hostile, gutural loose rose from his throat. Others could see the changes in him but dared not vent their hideous broughts. But the realization of the transformation takboughts. But the realization of the transformation takbase received word that he has been transported to a small village in a distant European country.

Alas, few people realize that since we work in such close proximity with the Unknown, the Masche, the Undead, the Lazy, we must be on constant guard lest up the properties of the properties of the properties of the upper couple). As cellent of hereor magazines we are on the borderline between the worlds of the living and the dead, the real and the unreal, the suce and instance. Sometimes we cross that borderline (not the last one) and class of the properties of the dark ones of block magic and witchcraft.

In future issues of the New Horror Monsters, we will bring you actual finantia: case to people, like you, changing into budeous monsters, possessed creatures, distorred and inhuman! And you'll also find one or page with the properties of the properties of the properties of workers, Vampires, Ghouls, Along with this, each big issue will present special faction tories, movir erviews and all our regular features! But we want to hear from YOU readers. Send us your ulpy privates! Tell us your desired. We hope you suppose of our over magazine, dedented We hope you suppose of our over magazine, de-

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Kiddies! HORROR MONSTERS school of shock and shudder is back in session. Here's your very own peril packed primer to identify your little monster friends. Tuck it under your pillows at night and your nightmares will come true. All together now . . . "A" . . .



A is for THE AMAZING COLOSSAL MAN; He is taller thon Anyone in the lond!



B is for BORIS, King of Fright Features; He began his coreer As the Frankenstein creature!



C is for CHANEY Lon's his first name By being a wolf man, He gained movie fame!



D is fer DRACULA He's a vampire, bud; Better watch out for him, He's after yeur blood!



Quite a monster is he: Starred in Outer Limits, He's been on TV!





Known by all horror fen As the creep who was made From parts of dead men!



G is for GHOST, Here with comic Hope; But if you've been ghost-menaced, Then you know it's no joke!



H is for HITCHCOCK, The Master of Shock; Alf produced Psycho From the novel by Bloch!

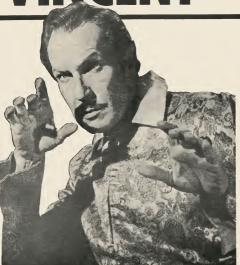


I is for THE INVISIBLE MAN, you can't see him; What fun he must have, It's too bad we can't be him! (Continued on Page 23)

VINCENT

PRICE AT EXTERMINATION

ARTIST



Very few mortals can claim they've been poisoned, stabbed, shot by bullets and arrows, bung, sent to the electric chair, drowned in a var of wine, burned alive and buried under a fallen house

Even fewer can claim to have survived such exper-

Mr. Vincent Price happens to be one of these few. But not only has he met shocking cinematic deaths as those described, he has also meted out a fair share of them on his own. In fact, since his first big scare role in 1953 when he emoted opposite a gruesome collection of blood-hungry killers, thieves and inhuman sadists in the film HOUSE OF WAX, Vincent Price has been responsible for more monstrous mayhem at the movies than any other actor currently before the cameras. He's starred in dozens of celluloid chillers in which he has successfully sent his fellow actors (as well as audiences) into shock from which some have not yet fully recovered. Contrary to popular belief though, this arch film fiend,

this maniacal minded Man of A Thousand Vices who is known to the outside world as Vincent Price, was not born in a gloomy spider-webbed Poesque dungeon, Nor was he born in a Karloffian laboratory or in Lugosi's be-

loved Transvlvania. Vincent Price was not even born at midnight

The Grand Guignol of Gore first saw the light of day in St. Louis, Missouri, on May 27, 1911, a date which should be marked in blood-red on all calendars. The son of a well-to-do family. Vincent was educated not at Victor Frankenstein's castle (another popular belief) but in private preparatory schools.

Later he went to Yale and then to the University of London where he was taking a post-graduate course, planning to become a professor or a curator of art, when -quite by chance-he set foot on the path that has now led him to be regarded as one of the most feared bumans ever to trod the face of the Earth.

A London producer was staging CHICAGO, a drama dealing with American gangsters in the prohibition era. A friend of Vincent's told him that Americans were being sought for roles. For a lark, Vincent applied at the casting office and was hired to play a malicious detective. Vincent discovered he liked being malicious as well

as acting. Moreover, he proved to be very good at both.

After the run of CHICAGO he was signed to play the royal consort in VICTORIA REGINA and when that play opened in New York, Vincent was brought back from merry old England to appear in it again. The American Theatre recognized Vincent literally

overnight and be became a star-at 24 years of age! Following the stage run of VICTORIA REGINA, Vincent was called to Hollywood to make his film debut in



Vincent is about to be shocked to death by The Tingler (Columbia, 1958).



As the Baron of Arizona in 1950, he strangled Ellen Drew while they discussed Greek art.



Publicity photo of Price when he was under contract ta Universal Pictures, 1947.

SERVICE DELUXE. This was in 1936. For the next three years he was seen in many pictures that ranged from remances to westerns and back again, titles such as GOOD-NIGHT SWEETHEART, SONG OF BERNADETTE and THE ADVENTURES OF BUFFALO BILL.

It was in 1939 that Vincent truly set foot on the highway of horror, starring with Karloff in Universal's TOWER OF LONDON. Vincent played a maniscal King intent on ruining the lives of those around him, mainly by ordering that their heads be chopped off by the Exalted Executioneer of Evil, Karloff.

One year later, again for Universal, Vincent starred in a terror portrayal. The film was THE INVISIBLE MAN'S REVENGE and though audiences could not see him, Vincent was perfectly dastardly.

The success of bis appearance in this Universal horrorama drama was so overwhelmig that Hollywood studios were prompted to cast Vincent in other fright films. In 1944 he made the suspenseful LAURA with Gene Tierney, followed by the spine-snapping DRAG-ONWYCK and SHOCK. He appeared as an unscrupulous slave runner in BAGDAD.

Vincent returned to invisibility in 1948 for the Universal horror spook spoof, ABBOTT AND COSTELLO MEET FRANKENSTEIN. He was not seen in the few minutes of film.



Vincent Price harasses Lionel Atwill in "The Invisible Man Returns" (Universal, 1939).



A medieval sorcerer in American-International's "The Rayen."

Although Vincent was rapidly becoming more and more known for his macabre characterizations, in 1950 be played a straight comedy role in CHAMPAGNE FOR CAESAR, opposite Ronald Coleman and Celeste Holm. His portrayal of a mad sone tycoon has been unanimously decreed by critics to be just about the wackiest and funniest thing in ages.

But no sooner was Vincent through showering Coleman and Holm with soap flakes than he was back again planning more movie machinations, this time in the gripping WEB.

Vincent really burst into bestial blooming when he starred in the very first big scale 3:D fin, the terrifying HOUSE OF WAX for Warner Bros, playing the crippled curator of a wax museum whose horribly disfigured face caused him to go berserk and seek out his revenge on the populace of Paris.

Fright role upon fright role followed for Vincent after the fannstic box office acceptance of HOUSE OF WAX. Audiences again saw him creep about in living 3-10 when be was THE MAD MAGGILAN for Combat THE HILL THE MAD WILLIAM STATE AND A STATE OF THE AUDIENT HILL THE WAY WILLIAM STATE AND A STATE OF THE AUDIENT AND THE WAY WILLIAM STATE AND A STATE OF THE AUDIENT AND A THE AUDIENT AND A STATE OF THE AUDIENT AND A STATE OF THE AUDIENT AND A THE AUDIENT AND A STATE OF THE AUDIENT



Gene Tierney and the man of vice in 20th Century-Fox's "Laura."



Director Roger Corman (far right) discusses characterization portrayals with Vincent and co-stars of "House of Usher."



Villainous Vincent as you've never seen him beforel From "Curtain Call at Cactus Creek", with Donald O'Connor (Universal, 1949).



"Diabolical Detectives"—Basil "Sherlock Holmes" Rathbone and Peter "Mr. Moto" Lorre interrogate "The Saint" Price on the set of "Poe's Tales of Terror" (AIP, 1962).



Vincent as he appeared in United Artists' "Tower of London."



Price was the Mod Magician for Columbia in 1954.



The Posha worns Marengo (Otto Woldis) that he will be given twenty lashes unless he brings more slave airls.



Vincent os the crippled curotor of the "House of Wox."



The Triumvirate of Terror—Korloff, Lorre and Price ("The Raven").

When producer-director Roger Corman decided to fulful a life Inng amhition and film the nightmarkh tales of Edgar Allan Poe, he could think of only one actor to fill his needs—Vincent Price. The first Poe picture on the production schedule was THE HOUSE OF USHER, made in 1960 and released by American-International.

The initial Poe film was to successful that five years later the chilling combination of Corman-Price-AIP is still producing EAP pictures. With PIT AND THE STRINGLING PERIOULUM, THE RAVEN, HAUNTED PALACE, MASQUE OF THE RED DEATH and THE PREMA-TORE BURNL Jaredy under their belts, they plan on the producing the

DIRS IN THE RUE MORGUE.

Corman's HOUSE OF USHER was not, however, the first time Viocent enacted an Edgar Allian Poe role. In the property of the product and the tempty. IT AMON'THE PENDLY IN The products are about the great products are hardly forger that particularly frighting sequence wherein Vineura fought off bordes of hanging sequence wherein Vineura fought off bordes of hanging the way down to like monitoring pendulum slowly ared in war down to like monitoring pendulum slowly ared

In between his Poesque portrayals Vincent has somehow found time to menace the movie theatres in such shockers as DIARY OF A MADMAN, a remake of TOWER OF LONDON, LAST MAN ON EARTH and

TWICE TOLD TALES, among others.

Having originally received theatrical recognition via the stage, Vincent returns to his "first home" periodically and of course has appeared in a great number of radia and televisin shaws. (Vincent was THE SAINT an radio for many years.) He also keeps up his altraisiti interest in art, not only as a lecturer but as a collector interest in art, not only as a lecturer but as a collector cidentally, are extremely popular round the world and be has become one of the bishest roald (cutures ever.

he has become one of the highest paid lecturers ever-Vincent has written many articles far national magazines such as LOOK and had his first book—I LIKE WHAT I KNOW—published by Doubleday a few years ago. Within three months of publication the book sold close to 2,000 copies and went into its fourth printing. Vincent is currently writing his second book, which, he claims, is about "some animals! I have known?

In addition to his talks on art and artists, Vincent has been constantly through the years adding to his own collection which has become quite sizeable and which is considered one of the finest collections of its kind. Vincent is also an amateur archeologist and anthro-

pologist. His son, Vincent Barret Price, a senior in college, is majoring in anthropology. Vincent Sr.'s wife, the firmer Mary Grant, is a fashinn designer for stage and screen and herself an avid art enthusiast.

In contrast to the diabolical roles he plays on the screen, Vincent is really quite a gracious and warmhearted chap, always ready with a witty joke and accompanying grin and who confesses he loves making borror pictures.

"They're fun," he told this writer. "Especially these Edgar Allan Poe films, because of the medieval and gothic settings."

Vincent likes being a mavie lause and it seems rather hovious his fast like him that way too. He's died a thousand deaths and has himself caused a thousand more deaths and what with the plans Hollywood has for him, it looks like Vincent Price will be drawing uron his war knowledge of sorcery, skullduggery and shock vices for at least another hundred years.

THEY DIED LAUGHING ??



"And when I tolk, Doc, it 'hoits' right here."



"Hee hee ho ha . . . you're tickling!"



"For the last time, keep your Junk in your own yard!"



"I don't understand it, Mother. All the other girls hove dates."



THE MONSTER IN THE TOMB

by Samuel Gogel

On October 3, 1977, workmen demolishing a wing of the old Public Library at 42nd Street, New York, in preparation for the erection of the magnificent new skyscraper library-museum, broke through an interior wall into one of the subterranean stacks, and stopped to stare at a skeleton seated at a large desk, pen in hand, arrested by death in the act of making an entry in a diary. Directly behind him was a great pile of rats' bones about eight feet high, surmounted by a long human skeleton

wearing spectacles and gripping a silver-headed cane. Judging by the dates in the yellowing, dusty manuscript. Gerald Dubois had lived between row K and L three stories below the Main Circulation Room for 10 years, unsuspected by any of the 250 employees of the vast library. Portions of the diary will appear in the next four issues of this newspaper. The first installment fol-

Tune 11, 1952

It is now a month that I have been living here. I have no thought of the upper world. This is all my world now. At first I was afraid that Susan would come for me, hut now I am not worried about anything. I have found that my studies can fill my life and thoughts completely A month ago I did not even dream that all this blessed sanctuary would be mine, but I have since come to feel it is my rightful beritage,

I remember that Susan was reading a letter from my father when I came home from work and asked about supper. She did not raise her eyes from the letter. Ioey, Bernice, Ahe and Willie were at the table ready to eat, and Naomi, Alex, Harry and Bella were lined up in the hall waiting for the chairs. I sat down at the table. Finally I lost patience and asked, "Susan, how about

She answered, "There is no supper." This was palpable nonsense, for there was always some neighbor or other who would come in during the day with some bread and soup if nothing else, "How much did you make today?" I hesitated, for it was painful to say, "Nothing," I

"And yesterday," Susan demanded, turning to face me, her voice rising to the familiar pitch of bysteria and her eyes glistening now, "and the day before, and the day before, and every goddamn day . . .

I saw Joey's lip begin to quiver, for he especially feared and hated his mother's abuse of me. I also found these outbursts unbearable for I felt my skin was peeled from my body each time I was tarred and feathered by her bottomless contempt, and my nerves were raw. "It is not my fault." I answered fairly and rationally,

"if the women do not wish to buy stockings. I present my full demonstration to every single customer, and lay all my stockings out on the floor in the hall," but Susan would not listen to my orderly explanation.

"Beggar!" she shrieked, "Panhandler! Your father offers you a joh as a college professor and you spit on it. Children," and she turned to the little ones, who were now all sobbing openly, "your father is a burn. Listen to this and see who is right." Here she took a stance in the middle of the room like Demosthenes haranguing a moh, her stockings falling ridiculously about her ankles, and loudly read my father's letter:

Chicago University Chicago, Illinois April 15, 1952

Dear Susan. In reply to your telegram, I hasten to assure you that the position of instructor in Philology, about which you have inquired so many times, is still open, and is available to Gerald any time he comes here to teach, at a salary of \$3600.

Give Gerald and the children my regards. Affectionately yours Professor Alonzo Dubois Dean of Languages

"I have frequently clarified my firm position," I explained with unflagging courtesy and patience, "that I cannot expose myself daily to an assorted rabble of callow, bored, unimaginative clods and ruffians, who sit through my lectures with undisguised hostility and equally undisguised stupidity. I have tried it long enough to know that a life like that is, for me, not worth living. My father is very kind to offer me a joh again after my last fiasco, but he just can't realize that I am not as thick-skinned as he is. I am a man of refined sensibilities, an esthetically . . .'



"You are a bum who sits all day in the library reading worthless books nn nne else will look at. Go sit in the library with your friends the bums-go, go, go,-there is no supper here for you.

Shricking wildly in this manner she npened the door with one hand, grabbed my collar with the nther, and pulled me backward out of the door. I still hlush and turn hot and cold when I think what a shame it was for the children. Hungry as I was I went back to the library,

which was still npen. Having free access, as a scholar, to the stacks, I went immediately downstairs to the Philnlagy section, not wanting any of the curious idlers to see the tears marching stubbornly down my cheeks. I walked for bours through the corridors in sub-basement IE, going over every detail of the degrading scene in my home, reviewing the arguments I might have used to show Susan how terribly wrong she was. There are not many whn have my dedication to truth for its own sake-this is a quality Susan never appreciated in me. Quite suddenly the lights went out, and, in absolute darkness, I lay down where I was and fell asleep. Truly, I slept like a log, for I was exhausted by four hours of demonstrating stockings,

eight hours of study, and 20 years of wnrry. At 9:00 A.M. the lights came on automatically, and their sudden eruption awakened me with a start. I looked about at the rows of books and sighed contentedly. I soon found a drinking fnuntain with excellent water, and then arranged some books on the large desk in the center of the aisle. On the desk I found pens, ink and paper, and above it was an exceptionally large light. I believe the desk must have been used by the chief of this department, who put up the sign on the outer door which reads, "Absolutely No Admittance," and has long since died or retired, judging by the dust nn his desk. To this sign I ascribe the absolute quiet here, for apparently none but me has had the temerity to challenge its ancient

authority. After some study, I felt some pangs of hunger, I rose and walked rapidly about with the book in my hand, reading alnud. Out of the corner of an eye I saw an ennrmnus rat chewing on a book. Taken aback at his insolence, I stapped to stare, but the huge beast did not even turn to glance at me. Quite outraged, I raised my book high over my head and hrought it down with all the strength of indignation on his humped back. I heard a crack and crunch and knew his back was broken. Fnr a moment I stared curiously at the body, and with a sudden insight realized that this was the meal I needed. With my penknife I peeled nff the hide and cut off a small piece of meat, when I realized that years of social living had spoiled me for raw meat. I saw above me the solution to this problem, and standing on the desk, I held the rat over my head and pressed it against the large lightbulb, even as some long-forgatten priest of the Tigris-Euphrates Valley might have held up an offering to the Sun-God 7,000 years agn. I held it so for half an hour, (while bunger made itself more insistent), then turned it on the other side for twenty minutes.

I found the meat quite tender and delicate, not much different from rabbit, and was delighted that I had finally solved the nne problem that had plagued me so insistently for 20 years-the problem of procuring adequate nourishment-for there were plenty of these splendid animals racing about amnng the stacks. According to the classification of Tullberg (1899), these would be the brown or Norway rat, (Rattus norvegicus), which the Encyclopedia Brittanica says . . . "is distinguished by its large size, brownish gray color, short tail and ears, stout skull, and the possession of frnm 10 to 12 teats. It is fierce and cunning, and overcomes all allied species with which it is brought into contact."

Of the ferocity and cunning of my provident companinns I was soon to be made sharply aware in many unforseen ways. Eventually I found the most successful manner of catching them is simply by resting all the unabridged German dictionaries precariously over the edges of shelves here and there, with strings drawn over them and attached to pieces of rat-meat on the ground, so that a nibble would send a book crashing. The best German dicrinnaries are capable of breaking the back of any rat, and I was kept busy replacing fallen books. At times, however, I feel like a cannibal, for among my victims have been the close companions of weeks. September 18, 1952

see that my last entry was made over three months agn. This is shameful, for I should have recorded my experiences while they had the bloom of freshness on them. Last month, for instance, I discovered Friedrich Muller's "Grundriss der Sprachenwissenschaft" in tier 80K. This is a survey of all the knnwn languages of the inhabited earth with shnrt grammatical sketches, and specimens of each language, in eight volumes. My joy in discovering this incomparable study, which has been out nf print since 1870, is absolutely beyond all imagination. And only three days later I ran across Father W. Schmidt's "Die Sprachfamilien und Sprachenkreise der Erde," and standing beside it was Father Schmidt's "De Ingeniis Spiritualibus," a Latin translation of an Arabic versing of a lost original.

December 9, 1952 (Continued on Page 46) Let your heart pound out a trilogy in terror... and your sticky blood ripen for the unholy feast of...

BLACK SABBATH

Ghosts, vampires and horror in a terrifying triad!

Presented by HORROR MONSTERS

and American International Pictures

"THE WURDALAK" BORIS KARLOFF MARK DAMON SUSY ANDERSON

While riding through the misty vapors in mountain regions of eastern Europe, a young nobleman, comes upon a horse carrying the recently decapitated body of a man. He leads the horse and its grisly burden to a nearby mysterious farmhouse inhabited by a fear-ridden family group-Peter, George, George's wife, Martha, her little boy, Ivan, and their young sister, Sdenka (SUSY AN-DERSON). Peter and George identify the headless body as that of the bandit, Alibek, and drive a sword through the heart of the corpse to prevent it from becoming a wurdalak, vampire corpses thirsty for the blood of the living, "of those they have loved most dearly". They further explain that the more a wurdalak has loved someone, the more it thirsts for that person's blood . . . children, relatives, dearest friends . . . and whomever they kill for this craving also becomes a wurdalak unless a stake is driven through the heart

The family then explains that they fear for their father, IRDRIS KARLOFF who before going away to kill Alibek, had warned that if more than five days pass before his return, he will have become a wurdalak. While they wait, Vladimir and Selank become attracted to each other and then, at the exact hour marking the passage of five days, Gorca returns carrying with him the decapituted head of Alibek.

It is apparent that a change has come over the old man and we soon learn that he has indeed become a wurdalak when he kills Peter and flees with little Ivan in

his arms. Vladimir sees Gorca leave with the child and rouses the family but too late. Later they find Ivan, killed like the others, a gaping wound in the neck—the mark of

the wurdalak. "Hadimir and Sdenks onfran their loves and the young Vladimir and Sdenks open the first from the curring farmhouse. Meanwhile the bleedy work of the wurdalak continues with first Martha and then George, killed and empired of their blood as Vladimir and Sodenks seek reformed to the state of the state of the state of the Gortac comes fare this last loved one and claims Sdenks, who in turn kill an unsuspecting Vladimir while they are locked in an embrace, bringing the wurdalak cycle.



With fearful hearts, the family awaits the return of Gorca (Boris Karloff).



Gorca returns, carrying the decapitated head of



With little Ivan in his arms. Gorca flees the house.



The mournful ghost of Ivan appears outside the dwelling.



Gorca frightens his family by returning as a Wur-



The Wurdalak and twa of his victims peer into the hause.



Sdenka (Susy Andersan) is harrified by what she sees.



Fearfully the young couple await their doom.

"THE DROP OF WATER"

Helen Corey (JACQUELINE PIERREUX), a shady nurse, leaves her cluttered room one stormy night and goes grumbling to the aid of elderly Madam Perkins (MILLY MONTI). When she arrives at the dark and dismal house the old woman is dead, looking as if she died of fright. Helen rips a large diamond ring from the finger of the bideous corpse and puts it on her own finger when she gets home. That night she is haunted by the sound of dripping water and, though she turns off the faucet, the dripping continues and gradually terrorizes her. The culmination comes in alternate periods of silence and dripping when she sees the ghost of Mrs. Perkins, its withered face contorted in a grimace of disgust, which descends upon Helen to put dead hands about her throat. When the police find Helen's body, her hands locked at her throat, eyeballs bulging, her face distorted in terror, they discover that her finger is cut and discolored as if a ring had been torn from it.



Jacqueline Pirreux partrays Helen, the lavely nurse.



Mrs. Perkins' maid is afraid to go near her body.



Helen must prepare the carpse herself.



Temptatian is tao much for Helen; she steals the dead woman's ring.



Helen is terrified at the harrible sight that confronts her.



She shudders at the ugliness of the ald woman's corpse:



The ghost of Mrs. Perkins advances on the fearstricken girl.



Hands squeeze out her life as Helen realizes she is dying.

"THE TELEPHONE"

Rosy (MICHELE MERCIER), a lovely young ladyabout-town, returns to her lonely apartment and prepares to undress for bed. She receives mysterious telephone calls that drive her gradually hysterical. At first there is no one on the line, but in later calls a man's voice speaks intimately and admiringly of her body, filling her with fear and distraction. The calls continue, telling her each move she has just made. Then the caller warns that he is coming from death to kill her that night. Rosy tele-phones her girl friend, Maty (LIDIA ALPONSI), and



Rosy is terrified by a mysterious telephone coll.



Mary's struggles are useless against this unknown murderer.



Rosy awakens terrified as the killer advances.

begs for her help. The caller says he is one whom Rosy had betrayed and sent to prison and to death. Mary arrives and is staying up while Rosy is asleep. The dead convict's ghost slips into the apartment and strangles Mary, thinking it is Rosy. When he discovers his mistake, he turns to kill the awakened Rosy, who reaches for a knife and plunges it deep into his heart. The bloody body lies still; the dead mans voice comes over the tele-phone while Rosy shrinks back in insane terror. The dead man tells her that he will be around to torment her forever, forever, forever . .



Mary (Lidio Alfonsi) tries to subdue Rosy's fears.



The strangler realizes too late that he had the wrong victim.



Lovely Michelle Mercier (Rosy) seems doomed to her fote



Dear Gbouls,

I just rose out of my coffio from a good day's sleep. Me and my friends formed a club all about Monsters and Vampires. Every month we have a newspaper called "The Ghouls Towo Gazet." Each week we have the meetiog in someone's coffin. We pay 25¢ dues. Wheo we save up enough money from the dues, we buy Monster books. skulls, monster rings, masks, fake blood, mooster nails and many more things to do with monsters. We do not have a came for our club so maybe you can make a suggestion. You better publish this letter or I'll bite your oeck. Your fiendish fiend.

Rooald Sandberg P.S. Get me a date with Frankensteio's

daughter.

First of all, Ron, we're not ghouls, we're boys. And as for Frankenstein's daughter, sorry, she's already been staked out. Glad you have a newspaper
-now have a ball! My suggestion for your club is to name it quickly (or Rapidly, whichever you like more) and remember: it's better to hold a meeting in someone's coffin than in someone's sneeze. We've published your letter; now stop being a pain in

Dear Ed.,

Your mag is Great! Colossal! Stupeodous! and eveo good. Now that I've buttered you up a little bit bow bout priotiog this io behalf of the organization I represent? The National Horror Association is now welcoming new memlers. The dues are 75¢ per year for which one receives: club card (professional prioring job), burial certificate, surprise 8x10, and the club publication, The Horror Herald, which is available to non-members for 15¢. It is mainly for serious minded borror lovers. The address is 1425 Peabody Ave., Memphis 4, Tenoessee.

Respectfully, David Buechner

Butter luck next time, David. Around here we appreciate "bread" much more. We are always plad to print in behalf of an organization-it gives us a chance to cut up. I was serious once and I minded terribly. As for being a horror lover, you should see my girl! Incidentally, what kind of certificate do you bury? And what kind of new members do you want?

Dear Editor.

This Christmas Eve my sister and I are going to spend the night in our coffins with the lights on. We need this practice because when the meo come in our rooms, we must be able to strike before they can drive a spike through our hearts. Anyway, your TV guides to ghouls are horrible. Keep up the good work.

Ghoulishly yours, Bill Lindau, Jr. Wioston-Salem, N.C.



Dear Bill, you'd better have more on than the lights. I don't know what you've been spiking, but it didn't go to your heart. I hope Eve has her own coffin.

Dear Fiends.

I was reading the paper the other day, and I suddeoly spotted ao ioteresting and somewhat insulting article.

It ran something like this: BATS ARE DANGEROUS

The razor sharp teeth of the vampire bar can cut cleanly and painlessly. The sleeping victim usually doesn't eveo notice that he has been bitten. The bat takes only an ounce or two of blood. The bite itself is oot dangerous but the bat is often a carrier of rabies or some other disease.

Now, I have a large oumber of bats (I'm a vamp myself) and I feel that the last statement in this article is unfair to my bats. They doo't carry diYou see, they've all had their

fiends, your obedient servant, Chris Grekoff P.S. Your mag is great! Keep up the good work, or else . . . heh . . heh . .

shots.

Apparently that article didn't run fast enough, Chris. It's not your bats 'I'm worried about. It's your boltys. Everyone knows bats are too laty to carry anything. The next time you suddenly spot, why not try tripes intead? Or else what? Heb. b. bb. We've all bad our shots, too—one every bour, on the rocks.

Dear Editor,
Because of your outstanding publi-

cations of Horrnr Munsters and Mad Monsters, we would like nur picture of "Joe the Ghoul" in your next issue if possible.

Your mad monster friends, John Campbell Peter Lipor Brooklyn, N. Y.



We would like to take issue with it, too. Even though Joe is sitting we think he's been outstanding—in the rain too long. That cabbage on his shoulders is getting ripe.

Dear Editor,

My friend, the Unknown Creature, and me, Count Dracula, got together and we didn't have much brotherly love for, like hillbillys feuding, we almast killed each other. But some men with guns and stakes came so we took off. Here are the pictures the newspaper men took. We happen to be wanted.

Yours monsterously, Count LeRny Kurtz Eugene Berardo South Amboy, N. J.





I wouldn't place any stakes on that. We wouldn't want you if you keep taking things off. And that creature isn't unknown, that's Bedsheet Berardo, notorious sheet stealer. HORROR MONSTERS MAIL MAIL MAIL MAIL MAIL

MAIL



Our guest of the month, Vincent Price.



J is for JEKYLL, A scientist first-class; Jekyll drinks the serum,



K is for KOGAR, You'll be seeing him soon; He prowls a dungeon In the film, Haunted Tombil



L is for LUGOSI, The most fearsome vampires But look at his face, He should be in a church chold



M is for THE MONSTER
THAT CHALLENGED THE WORLD;
He destroyed all the men
But saved all the girls!

Beware . . . !
An undead creature
forced into a hostile world
seeks to ravage the living!
Flee while you may . . . to avoid . . .

THE CURSE O





RANKENSTEIN



Warner Bros. Studios has quite a knack for making films that kick off whole new trends or cycles in the motion picture business. The most outstanding example of this particular talent of theirs is, of course, THE IAZZ SINGER with Al Jolson, the very first talkie, though other noted titles readily come to mind when pondering Warner-firsts

DEAD END introduced audiences to the juvenile delinguent "Dead End Kids" (who became "The East Side Kids" and later "The Bowery Boys") thus paving the way for other young congregations such as "The Gas House Kids" and "The Teenagers".

PUBLIC ENEMY with the great Cagney, was the first socially important gangster film and the forerunner of

an entire gangland-style (funeral) procession of such

The list of Warner-firsts in endless. The Brothers Warner though have been anything but lax in the field of horror films.

In 1953 they gave a monstrously mighty kick off to the 3-D screen process by releasing HOUSE OF WAX, actually a modern version of the studio's 1933 hit, MYS-TERY OF THE WAX MUSEUM starring Fay Wray, one of the very first color fright films. HOUSE OF WAX was the first big scale tri-dimensional movie, the first horror tale ever so presented and the very first in the continuous series of Vincent Price shock portrayals.

Obviously not content with racking up three Firsts in





horror that year, the studio followed up in 1954 with the first Big Bug Picture, THEM!, predecessor of such monstrous pieces of celluloid as BEGINNING OF THE END, TARANTULA, THE GIANT BEHEMOTH and MON-STER FROM GREEN HELL

Some thirty-six months later, WB added another First to their title catalogue—the Hammer Films production of CURSE OF FRANKENSTEIN.

This picture was the first big (Warner) color horror film produced on a grand classical scale. The screenplay hy Jimmy Sangster was based on the Shelley novel Frankenstein and was more or less quite a literal adaption of the celebrated work (also a first for films!). More important, CURSE OF FRANKENSTEIN served to renew the public's interest in the Shelley character which lay dormant over at Universal for nine years (AB-BOTT & COSTELLO MEET FRANKENSTEIN in 1948 was the last in the Universal series). The picture also hrought about a revival of many older horror characters from previous decades. Following on the successful heels of CURSE OF FRANKENSTEIN came HORROR OF DRACULA, THE MUMMY, CURSE OF THE WERE-WOLF and a slew of other films boasting these terrors— BLOOD OF DRACULA, TEENAGE WEREWOLF, RE-TURN OF DRACULA and so on. IN CURSE OF FRANKENSTEIN the role of the in-

famous Baron Frankenstein the genius behind the creation of the cadaverous creature, was played by Peter





Cushing who became a star "over oight" due to this appearance. (Cushing has been in films since 1938.) In additioo to bearing a striking resemblance to aoother famed

British actor, Basil Rathbone, Cushing's cinema career had taken a similar turn in that Rathbone's road to stardom too was paced with a Shelley-based appearance, that of Barnn Wolf, the SON OF FRANKENSTEIN. In the film Cushing as Baron Victor Frankeosteio is condemned to death for a series of bideous murders. He tries in vain to convince bis jailors that the crimes were nnt his but those of a strange half-human Creature he had created in his secret laboratory.

Realizing that nn one believes him, Frankenstein asks for Paul Kempe (played by Robert Urguhart), bis former tutnr and assistant, to confirm bis story that the Creature, composed of a highwayman's dead body, the hands of a dead sculptur and the brain of a brilliaot scientist, had been brought to life by them. Paul however had become sickened when the experi-

ment resulted io a grotesque Creature with homicidal ten-dencies and left the castle, returning only for Frankenstein's intended wedding to his cousin Elizabeth (raven baired Hazel Court). Before the ceremony though, Paul realizes Elizabeth

knows nothing of the experiments which Frankenstein was still carrying nn and urges her fnr her own sake to cancel the wedding and leave the castle. Elizabeth refuses and nearly becomes a victim of the



Cushing and his assistant Urguhart bring to life a monstrous creature.



The Frankenstein Monster, 1957.



Creature.

She is saved by Victor who destroys the Creature by Paul finally visits Victor Frankenstein in prison but

denies having knowledge of the Creature, thus leaving

the Baron to pay for his crimes . . . Hammer's CURSE OF FRANKENSTEIN is memorable in all areas of creativity except that of makeup. Although Christopher Lee, the ex-fighter pilot turned monster, was subjected to some four hours of arduous makeup each day while enacting the role of Frankenstein's creation, one would almost have suspected Lee of applying his own makeup while running blind-folded around the sound

stage. At best, the makeup was inferior, It is, however, understandable why the original Monster makeup was not used in the Hammer film, Universal Pictures copyrighted the Famous Frankenstein Moneter Makeup years ago. It's all theirs. They own it. Nothing short of a lawsuit would ensue should another studio use it in a film

CURSE OF FRANKENSTEIN kicked off a new cycle in horror films but is primarily a good picture, well worth seeing a couple dozen times over. At last word Hammer and Warner Bros, have decided to film another Frankenstein epic, tentatively titled EVIL OF FRANK-ENSTEIN, though it is doubted this picture will kick off another new trend.

But of course, you can't win 'em all, you know,

The End



HORROR PHOTO QUIZ HORROR MONSTERS

Time again to take a terrifying trip down Monster Movie Memory Lane! You'll find this one of the eeriest excursions ever! As always, passage aboard the S.S. HOR-ROR MONSTERS is free, though we do not guarantee your safe return to civilization-UNLESS you pass our Fright Flicker Film Quiz! So all aboard that's going aboard! Stranded passengers will find the correct answers printed at the bottom of the next page, upsidedown!

SCORING

RIGHT-You're a First Class Passenger on the Ship of 4-5 RIGHT-A Second Class Horror Historian is what you

2-3 RIGHT—Aren't you glad you took along copies of HORROR and MAD MONSTERS with you on

0-1 RIGHT-Too bad, fellal Our ship left you behind and the headhunters are closing in on youl



These two revolting goons stalked across the shocking silver screen in-

A-HOW TO MAKE A MONSTER R-HOW TO UNMAKE A MONSTER C-TWO FOR THE SEESAW D-GIDGET MEETS CLEOPATRA





Boris Karloff is up to more macabre machinations in the scare-sational shock enic:

A-MAN IN THE IRON MASK B-THE DEVIL COMMANDS C-TOM SWIFT AND HIS ELECTRIC SURFBOARD D_DANTE'S INFERNO



Lionel Atwill is confronted by Lewis Stone in the classic Universal picture:

A-DR. KILDARE GOES MAD B...I ASSIF'S DOG POUND ADVENTURE C-MAN MADE MONSTER D-THE ATOMIC MONSTER



Monstrous Glenn Strange and a Mad Doctor are about 1 extract Huntz Hall's little brain in this scene from:



A_ROWERY BOYS MEET RELA LUGOSI B-FAST SIDE KIDS GO NORTH C-MASTER MINDS D-DEAD END KIDS VS. THE BEATLES



Cosmic Star Judd Holdren displays his Electronic Thought Wave Transfer machine which was seen in the movie



B-THE FOUND PLANET C-CAPTAIN VIDEO D-COMMANDO CODY, SKY MARSHAL



Dracula himself, Bela Lugosi, is threatened by a Do-Badder in the fright flicker:



A-PALM SPRINGS WEEKEND B-BATS IN MY BELA-FRY C-LAST DAYS OF POMPEIL D. THE PHANTOM CATES

ANSWERS

#9-THE PHANTOM CREEPS, a Universal serial #4-MASTE LOST PLANET, Columbia Pictures, 1949

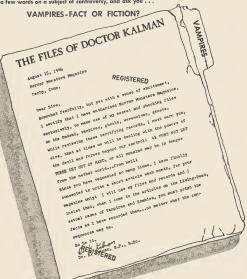
Shocker was re-released under the title THE ATOMIC title was MAN MADE MONSTER. Years later the #3-There are IVVO correct answers! The film's original #2-THE DEVIL COMMANDS, Columbia Pictures

#1-HOW TO MAKE A MONSTER, American-International,

HORROR MONSTERS EXCLUSIVE

After much difficulty, we are pleased to announce that we have received permission from Dr. K. Kalman, Professor of the Occult, the Mystic, Black Magic, and Vampirism, to delve into his vast confidential files to bring you a series of articles on the Living-Dead.

We will start off with a serious thought, a few words on a subject of controversy, and ask you . . .







The Dead Re-Live

In the 18th century, one authority reported that in Hungary, Moravia, Silesia and Polaod, meo who had been changery, receivers, ones and remon, men was use occur dead and haried for months counsed about at eight to drain the blood from animals and meo. In each case, the drain the glood from admils and med. 10 each case, the villagers at length were forced to dig up the corpses, and vinegers at engin were juried to mg up the corpses, soot under Church ceremonies, behead the bodies and rear out uouer Unirth ceremonies, beneat the boottes ador test of their bearts to keep them from pouoding blood again. their hearts to keep them from pounding blood again.

To some cases it was sufficient to drive the wooden stake through the hearts to keep the body still. Numerous through the hearts to keep the body still. Numerous records on the subject relate cases where the dead body records on the sungest relate cases where the uses usery remained lifelike for many mooths after hurial or enrenamed intense for many months after nursi of en-tomhmeot, which was finally discovered because of horwinning winci was nonly discovered because of nor-rible blood sucking attacks oo the community by a rine mood surking attacks oo the community by a maoiac described as the mao who had already been dead maons: described as the mao who had stready been dead for some time. The demon was then thrown on a fiercely buroing fire to destroy the fiesh that oeeded the blood of living victims for nourishment.



The Church Speaks

Lest the reader mistakeoly think that these beliefs and ceremonies belong to pagans and ignorant primitives, he should realize the indisputable fact that most religions, snoute realize the managements and the most realizable even modern Catholicism, recognized the existence of even modern Catholicism, recognized the existence of demons and vampire-like creatures and, at times, presided at their destruction with proper prayer and ceremony. (One of the powers bestowed oo an ordatoed priest today is that of exorcism, or casting out the devil from a human being. We will relate such true cases in future bunnan being: we will relate such true cases in turner sissues.) Scholars believed that the appearances of the usaking dead were clearly diabolical but factual. The watering areas were citarily disposition into factors. The Greek Church attested that vampires were persons who had been excommunicated and the Orthodox Church has deficire doctrine on the matter. Various cardinals have denote doctrine on the matter, various tardinals mave written dissertations on the subject, among them Cardinals written dissertations on the subject, among them Cardinals with the control of the subject, among them Cardinals with the control of the subject, among the cardinals with the cardinal with the cardinals with the cardinals with the cardinal wi oal Schrattembach who received direct reports of vamoas scinationism was received direct reports or ram-pririm through the diocese. Leooe Allaci, Doctor of Medicine, assistant to the Pope and asture scholar, stated medicine, assistant to the rope non assure science; someting in his writings that a vampire was the dead body of a man who had led a debauched life and was excommuman who had led a depauched the and was excuming ocicated, which body did not decompose after death but became possessed with a demon that wandered from the grave at oight to satisfy its sanguioe thirst

Receiving little attention in our times because of the receiving inthe attention to our times because white hideousoess of their deeds, people, today, are occasionally caught and coofood for their crimes of vampirism, drinktangent and common for their crimes of vampurism, crink-ing the blood of their victims, driven by an uncontrol-lable urge, desire, and nefarious thirst.

name urge, neare, and netations turns.

If the reports of people over the centuries from every corner of the world are to be accepted, then there have existed creatures who lurked in the dismal eight to suck their fill of hor sticky blood until they were bloated and gorged like a leech. Believe it or not, we leave it to you,

Next issue: Chilliog cases of vampirism. Doo't miss it!



GHOVL GIGGLES





Yes, yes, that's it. Tonsilitis you think?"





"Hey, buddy . . . spare a dime?"



"Us Tarreyton smokers would . . . "



N is for NEANDERTHAL, The prehistoric MAN; He likes to go loping About fog-shrouded land!



O is for OXYZIZ, He has but one eye;



P is for PETER LORRE—that's who; He can scare you without Even saying a boo!





At a radio station in Maohattao, Gregor the great, was about to start his act. As he put his lovely fiancee; Mora, into a trance, he murmured, "You are only receptive to the thought waves of this audieoce. Do you hear? Ooly

thought waves." He then turned to the audience, and said. "There's a

gentleman in the third row.' "Yes," she replied, in a trance-like voice. "He wants me to tell him his social security number. The number is

"Well, I'll be darned," gasped the mao.
"Anyone else?" asked Gregor. "Just hold up your

"Don't you believe it," said a druok io the audience.

"It's all done with mirrors." "If that skeptical gentleman would care to step up here, I'm sure that I can make him just as telepathic as

Mora," offered Gregor. "You bet I'll come up," cried the drunk.

"Hey, Mabel!" cried the drunk to the womao he left io the audience. "Didn't I tell you this guy is a phony?

"The stupid . . ." thought Gregor. "I could kill him." "Now, pay attention!" said Gregor angrily, turning the drunk's face in his direction. "Conceptrate."

"Gregor is now placing this man into a hypnotic trance," said the announcer. Suddenly, as Gregor stared into the man's eyes with

hatred, the man gasped and fell to the floor. A doctor rushed up to the stage, and examined the man. "This man is dead!"

Later, in his dressing room, Gregor was saying, "Suddenly, tonight, I will a mao dead. He dies, Oh, it's very simple, Inspector, I killed that man,'

"Why, that's absurd," stated George. "Nevertheless, there's a man dead under hypnosis," replied Braot.

'Oh, why all this iodecision?" cried Alex. "I murdered that man mentally. 'I want to telephone someone," Grant said.

"I hated that man tonight, for making me ridiculous," said Alex. "I killed him, as surely as though I'd shot him."

"I just talked to the coroner," said Brant, re-enteriog the room. "That man died of natural causes. Nothing to

hold you for. Goodnight." "Mora, I . . . I'm not going to see you anymore. That's final."









That afternoon, George was having dinner with Valerie Monet.

"Gregor needs mental relaxatioo," George explained.
"I think that something to do at your place would be just the thing for him. Why don't you let him live there

The following day George and Alex arrived at Valerie Monet's wax museum. "Rudi models the faces," Valerie explained. "He's a

wizard with wax."
Nina walked into the room.

"My oiece, Nioa Budreau," said Valerie.
"And you're Gregor the great," said Nina.

"Nina," said Valerie. "Tell Rudi I'm hringiog some people through the museum."

As Nina entered the cold wax museum, she looked around for Rudi, hut couldn't see him. She walked among the exhibits, and as she passed the one of the electric chair, one of the figures moved, "What is it, Nina? Nina dear, I'm sorry," said Rudi.
"That's all right," she smiled.

"You know I wouldn't want to frighteo you." He grinned.
"Madame Mooet is hringing Mr. Keane and Mr. Gregor through the museum," she said. "Gregor the

great, the famous mentalist."

Rudi asked, "Why must he come after hours?"

When Nina left, Rudi talked to the wax figures.

As Valerie and the others started through the museum, they occuntered Rudi, who was still talking to the figures . . . "And you, Mr. Beau Brummel, keep your collar straight, and your best foot forward. You want them to see how handsome you are."

"Oh Rudi," said Valerie. "We'd like to show Alex around the place."
"All right," agreed Rudi, beginning the tour. "And

here we have some famous executions."

He stepped beside the head of Marie Antoinette, which lay on a pedestal and pressed a hutton, which produced





'Come, Rudi!" said Valerie. "Let's see the furnace

Rudi led the way to the furnace room.

By melting discarded figures, and casting new ones, I manage to be worth what the madame pays me," said

"Well, we've seen about everything backstage," said Valerie. "Shall we go and finish our drinks?" Rudi was on the verge of becoming a very famous

plastic surgeoo at one time," explained George. "His realism with wax is amazing," said Valerie.

Three weeks later when Nioa brought a mold of a head to Rudi at his request, he grahhed her arm He tried to emhrace her. She stumhled back and humped against a packing crate, just as Alex eotered. He cried, "Leave her alone, Rudi."

'Get out!" shouted Rudi, iosanely. Upstairs, a rap came at the door, and Valerie reluc-

taotly admitted Mora.

"How did you find me?" asked Alex.

I wormed it out of George," explained Mora. "Oh, what is all this mysterious husiness? Mora, I think Alex would be much better off if you

didn't come see him anymore," said Valerie.
"If I thought Alex really waoted it that way, I wouldn't interfere," said Mora. She hit the nail right on the head," commented Rudi

to Valerie, after Mora had left. "I don't think he does feel that way about you. He is quite a charmer, plays the field." 'Plays the field?" repeated Monet, "What are you talk-

iog about?" There is that girl, and then you, and now little Nioa," he said.

'Nioa?" she cried. "That's ridiculous." Meaowhile, Nina walked into the work room, and saw

Alex with his head huried in his hands. She asked, 'Areo't you feeling well?"

Iso't there something I can do?" she asked teoderly.
"No, thank you, Nina," he smiled, holding her hand. "You run along. I'll he all right.

Valerie had slipped into the room unnoticed and mistook what she had just seen for what Rudi had told her. As sooo as Nina had left the room, she said to Alex, "So this is how you repay my kindoess."
"Baaahh!" he cried walking away from her. "I'm in

no mood to argue with you about it. The best thing I cao do is pack my things and leave." "You, the recowood Gregor the great," she contioued.

Be quiet, do you hear me?" he screamed, coming toward her. He stared at her with hatred io his eyes. Io a momeot, she crumpled to the floor.









Later, at the waterfroot he realized that he was holding Valerie's scarf, and slipped it ioto his pocket.

He asked George to go hack to the museum with him to see if Valerie was dead.

I think you put on a wooderful act. I just never asked you how you did it. But I don't helieve in your so-called powers," said George.



I've always suspected you had some clever trick up your sleeve . . . a professional secret . . .

A short time later, they arrived at the Monet house. "Madame Monet has disappeared," stated Inspector

"Madame Monet and Gregor had an argument last night." 'All right," cried Alex, "Valerie and I did quarrel."

In the museum, Brant was saying, "Well, that's a ducky little tahleau. It looks familiar. "That's the Simmonds murder case," explained Rudi. "One of the most famous of modern crimes, First I did

the research from newspapers, and then I visited the actual scene myself. In fact, this one . .

"Ynu have every detail perfect," complimented Brant. "Our Shakespearian Classics," said Rudi. "They, too, would probably bore you." "You're wrong, Doctor," said Brant.

"Wha . . . What did you say?" asked Rudi.

"You are Dr. Pniden, aren't you?" he asked.

"And you're Gregnr the great," said Nina. "Yes," replied Rudi.

Once he had finished his search, Brant returned to the work shop. "Same nld story," said Brant. "No body, You'd better





Later in the museum, Nina was about to check the figures in the Shakespearian group when she noticed a pair of modern shoes on the reclining figure, behind Hamite. She then remaved the black wig from the head and saw that it was blonde underneath. She felt the face and saw that it wasn't wax, but flesh.

"Aunt Val." she gasted.

Insanely Rudi came nut nf the wark room yelling,
"You'd better came out. Come out!"

Nine roo in Gregor's room and burst in crying, "Alex.

Nina ran in Gregor's room and burst in, crying, "Alex, Alex, Get help. Call the police."
"What happened?" asked Alex, whn had been looking at Valerie's scarf.

"Her scarf," she gasped upon seeing it. "You've got my aunt's scarf," He heard her scream from downstairs, and ran down to see what was wrong. Alex searched the entire first floor, and couldn't find

her. Someone threw a knife and just missed him.

Alex left, and Rudi called his confederate.

"So you throw a knife at him. You feel don't

"So you threw a knife at him. You fool, don't you realize we're trying to get him in the insane asylum, not the morgue," said his accomplice.
"Tomarrow, I'll turn him over to the psychopathic

cnurt," said the other man.

Rudi led him into the room where he had Nina
drugged. He listened to her heart with his stethoscope.

In a moment, he turned and his face turned white.





A little later Alex and Mora arrived at Madame Moner's and encountered George in the outer hall. At that moment, Rudi was about to dispose of Valerie's body in the blazing furnace.

Alex put Mora in a trance. George asked her, "What became of Valerie Monet? And Nina?" "I see Monet, said Mora. A man bends over her."

"I see Monet, said Mora. A man bends over her."

'Can not see his face. He is gone I see Nina. She is frightened. She tries to escape. The man seizes her. The same man I saw with Monet."

"Who is the man?" asked George again.
"A doctor," she explained. "He works where it is very cold."







"Rudi," gasped Alex.

"Another man is with him," she continued. "His back is turned. I can not see his face. Wait . . . now I can see

him . . . George Keane!"

George ran to the door, pulled it open, and encountered Inspector Brant, who seized him.

"The furnace room!" cried Alex as he ran toward the door with Mora close behind him.





They ran into the cellar and there they saw Nina lying unconscious on a packing crate with Rudi stoking up the furnace.

furnace.
"Rudi!" shouted Alex. The crazed sculptor stumbled backward into the open furnace, letting out a hideous scream as the flames consumed him.

Alex still tried to reach into the flames after him, but

Mora had to pull him away. It was too late. The End

MONSTER IN THE TOMB



Again I failed to make an entry for nearly three months. The only excuse for my negligence is the staggering quantity and quality of the material available to me here. Undisturbed by the carping demands of the outside world, that vast open dungeon, to "make a living," and to meet a host of empty ohligations, I have enjoved one long orgy of intellectual exploration and discovery. Here is no grief, no want, no wind, no snow. Here I am God-all-powerful and free.

Last week, while reading Wertheim's magnificent study of 70 Eskimo dialects, I was reminded of Schiemelhunk's discussion of the ablative and returned to examine it again. To my amazement I detected 14 flaws in the analysis and have begun a revision of the entire work. It may keep me occupied for five years,

June 2, 1957 It is nearly five years since I made my last entry in you I hope you have not been too lonely with no one to talk to you. You have been more than patient, waiting for me. In return I protect you from the rain, the snow, and the winds above. They will never hurt you. You need not concern yourself about the vast inhuman struggle for subsistence in the savage world above us.

A small event occured today which is hardly worth telling you about. While climbing to reach a book on a top shelf I ripped my pants. I examined them and found there was not really much left of them, nor of the shirt for that matter. (The shoes fell off my feet long ago.) I therefore discarded my clothes altogether, for, aside from the fact that they were torn, it seems superfluous to dress here. I am comfortable without clothes. I have lost much weight, for my rihs are sticking out. My beard and hair both reach to my waist now. To the average man I must present the appearance of a Tarzan.

August 12, 1957

et me tell vou a story, dear diary, that I know you will enjoy, for, in your own quiet way you are really very much like me. Yesterday, as I was walking along Gallery O. looking for a copy of Hermann Werner, I heard strange sounds. I listened in painful apprehension, and quickly remembered the once-familiar sound of a man's step. It was coming down the corridor slowly, as if the man were pausing at each stack to examine its alphabetical designation. Peering through an empty space between some books. I saw him in the very next aisle. He was surprisingly tall; I had nearly forgotten that men walk upright, only on their legs. He wore glasses and a high top-hot, and had a trimmed and waxed moustache, and carried a silver-handled cane as iauntily as a sixteenth

century cavalier. I ran over to take a closer look, my hands and feet padding as softly as rats' paws on the floor, and stopped about two feet away from him. I felt the material of his trousers; it was heavier and rougher than paper-more like the hide of a large rat. He glanced down, and paled dreadfully when he saw me. I felt sorry for the terrified creature, and stepped closer to him. My beard hrushed against his hand and he came to himself suddenly. He grouned hoarsely, "Oh, my God!" raised his cane over his head and brought it down smartly on my bare buttocks. It stung, and, startled, I bit him in the leg. He turned to run, took two uncertain steps, and fell headlong. I stood there looking at him. He got up precipitously and began beating me about the head and back. I climbed up on the stack and began throwing books down at him. He backed up aisle R, ineffectually parrying the rain of books with his cane, intoning over and over in a fervent incantation, "Oh, my God! Oh, my God! Oh, my God!" I followed him closely, throwing books as fast as I could. I hardly missed once, and his face was soon



cu and beteing. A few times his glasses fell off and he bean in feverish has to retrieve them. Dehind him was a wall of books that had been left standing in the asite on the state of the standing time and the state of the state and the state of the state of the state of the state and the came tumbling down about his ears. He was knocked down and the books covered him up to his anched down and the books covered him up to had Lightly I ran to the end off the stack, picked up. Schienerhanks 'The Use of the Albitric Darber Peron 1120 A.D. to 1260 A.D., which was the largest book I had, ran Schienerhank has two rays (200 pages, and weighs about 20 pounds. The book drapped directly on his throat. He than the state of the state of the state of the state of the large than the state of the stat

Towards evening I grew hungry and went looking for a rat. Strangely enough, there were none around. As I ran past Aisle R, I saw my little friends piled up on the stranger, jostling each other for a bite of his face or neck. With great difficulty and exertion I drove the energetic and savage hrutes off, receiving a number of vicious hites in the hectic battle, (more than nnce it came near to being my Waterloo), and dragged the poor man's body over to my desk. Then I piled 18 columns of books on the desk, (six rows one way and three the other) put the body on top of them, and kept slipping more books under it until the flesh pressed against the great light. It was worth the effort, far naw I was supplied with provisions for three days. While I slept the rats swarmed over it and gorged themselves also, fattening themselves for my delectation.

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I have dragged myself over to make what may be my last communication to you. For a month now I have eaten almost nothing. Last month, while I was reading, the great hulh hurned out. THE GIVER OF LIGHT IS DEAD! I cannot see the words I am writing, and must

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